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In re Patent No. 6,012,919 :
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Application No. 09/241,181 :
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Patentees: Henry D. Cross III, et. al. :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.378(c), filed on February 22, 2012, to accept the delayed payment of a maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.

A review of the record shows that petitioner submitted an authorization to charge the listed deposit account \$1,425 for the 7 ½ year small entity maintenance fee and \$1,640 for the unintentional surcharge. However, the above-identified patent expired for failure to timely pay the 11 ½ year maintenance fee¹. Therefore the difference of \$940 (\$2,365-\$1,425) will be charged to petitioner's deposit account, as authorized.

Since petitioner has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that the delay in timely paying the maintenance fee was unintentional, the petition under 37 CFR 1.378(c) is hereby **GRANTED**.

The maintenance fee is hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

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¹ Effective September 26, 2011, the 11 ½ year small entity maintenance is \$2,365.